

**INDIANA STATE PSYCHOLOGY BOARD
MINUTES**

May 5, 2023

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

Dr. Hale called the meeting to order at 9:09 a.m. in Room W064 of the Indiana Government Center South, 402 West Washington Street, Indianapolis, Indiana, and declared a quorum in accordance with Indiana Code § 25-33-1-3(g).

Board Members Present:

Gregory Hale, Ph.D., Chair
Jere Leib, Ph.D., Member
Amber Finley, JD, Consumer Member

Board Members Not Present:

Stephen G. Ross, Psy.D., Member
Raymond W. Horn, Ph.D., Member

State Officials Present:

Cindy Vaught, Board Director, Professional Licensing Agency
Dana Brooks, Assistant Board Director, Professional Licensing Agency
Heidi Adair, Deputy Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General

II. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

A motion was made and seconded to adopt the agenda as amended.

Leib/Finley
Motion carried 3-0-0

III. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of January 13, 2023 and March 17, 2023, as amended.

Leib/Finley
Motion carried 3-0-0

IV. REPORT FROM THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

Ryan Eldridge, Deputy Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General, presented the consumer complaint report with the Board. He reported that they are currently closing more complaints than they are opening. The current trend with complaints is primarily in professional malpractice, followed by unprofessional conduct and professional incompetence. There is currently 26 open complaints and they have closed 11 since the beginning of the year. The average age of the open complaints is 8.9 months.

There are currently 3 open litigation cases with only 2 closed this year. The average duration of the litigation cases are 4.9 months. The trend with litigation is primarily in professional malpractice, followed by unprofessional conduct and professional

incompetence. There have been 2 Cease and Desist issued, which occurs after an investigation has occurred. If an individual does not cease their current unlicensed practice, then the Office of Attorney General will forward the information to the prosecutor's office.

V. PERSONAL APPEARANCES

A. Applications

1. Jason Meadows

Dr. Meadows has withdrawn his application.

2. Kevin Rowe

Dr. Rowe appeared as requested to provide clarification on his doctoral internship. He graduated from Indiana State University in 2022. He stated that his program at Indiana State was set up for school psychology. He was supervised by an HSPP with two other doctoral students. Dr. Ball provided a letter from Carrie Ball, PhD., HSPP, Professor and Director of School Psychology Doctoral Training, attesting that the internship program meets the requirements for the Board. The Board noted that the letter from Dr. Ball clears up a number of concerns they had regarding his internship.

Board Action: A motion was made and seconded to approve Dr. Rowe's application to sit for the EPPP examination.

Finley/Leib
Motion carried 3-0-0

3. Jo Shaw

Dr. Shaw appeared as requested to provide clarification on her doctoral internship and program from Walden University. She is currently licensed in Hawaii and has passed the EPPP examination. Dr. Shaw has provided supporting documentation regarding her education for the Board to review. She stated that she had two supervisors during her doctoral internship, and she was supervised with other doctoral interns. There were Ph.D. candidates from other schools, as she was the only student from her university. Dr. Shaw stated that the internship was advertised as a position, and not specifically an internship. She stated that during the interview process, they asked questions what was covered in the internship. She provided the Board details regarding what care and training she completed. Dr. Shaw stated that during her Indiana application process she has obtained additional licenses in Florida, New Jersey, Arizona, and New Hampshire. Her primary work is in telehealth and currently living in Pennsylvania. She stated that because her program was not APA approved, she cannot obtain PSYPACT, so she must apply to each State she wishes to perform telehealth services.

Board Action: A motion was made and seconded to approve Dr. Shaw's application for licensure pending the jurisprudence examination.

Hale/Leib
Motion carried 3-0-0

B. Examination Retake

1. Jeremy Voyles

Dr. Voyles appeared as requested to discuss his fourth attempt at taking the EPPP examination. He provided a copy of his study plan for the Board to review. He informed the Board that he is going to take some prep courses along with in-person training seminars. Dr. Voyles stated that the material he is working with is new compared to his last examination attempt. He informed the Board that he is attempting this exam with a “less hubris mindset” than his previous attempts. He stated that his last attempt was very close, so he is hoping to pass this round.

Board Action: A motion was made and seconded to approve Dr. Voyles’ application to sit for the HSPP examination for his fourth attempt.

Leib/ Finley
Motion carried 3-0-0

2. Robin Young

Dr. Young appeared as requested to discuss her eighth attempt at taking the EPPP examination. She stated that her last examination attempt occurred in 2018, and since then she has taken a step back to reflect on her struggles with passing the examination. She stated that she has completed personal therapy and is trying to develop her professional competence in the workforce. She indicated that she had entered graduate school late in life and struggled to compartmentalize. Dr. Young stated that she receives feedback from her supervisor which helps. She informed that Board that she uses different study aids, such as group collaboration, podcasts, and study guides that are more up to date than her previous guides. She indicated that she is primarily using the 2017 examination study guide. Dr. Young stated that she has taken a practice examination, where she passed at 80%. The Board encouraged her to use the most up-to-date study guide/material as the test is rigorous and noted concerns due to the long lapse from her last examination attempt.

Board Action: A motion was made and seconded to approve Dr. Young’s application for her eighth examination attempt.

Leib/ Finley
Motion carried 3-0-0

VI. APPLICATIONS FOR REVIEW

A. Psychology by Examination/Reciprocity

1. Lauren Irigoyen

Dr. Irogoyen's application by reciprocity was submitted for review to determine if the license she held is considered an equivalent license. Dr. Irogoyen stated that she was a 2013 graduate of The Chicago School of Professional Psychology and on her application, she indicated that it was not an APA approved program. Dr. Irogoyen provided a statement that she answered this question in error, as her program was APA approved. Transcripts are not required for reciprocity applicants. The Board will have to consider if the requirements in Illinois where she obtained her psychology license equal or exceed the Board requirements. Dr. Irogoyen holds an Illinois psychology license and a Florida mental health license. The Board noted that her Illinois license was obtained by endorsement, and according to the Illinois website, she would have had to hold a psychology license in another state to qualify for that credential. The Board tabled Dr. Irogoyen application in order to obtain further information on her current license status.

2. **Olivia Stone**

Dr. Stone's application by examination was submitted for review as she indicated that her internship was not APPIC approved at the time of completion. She completed the verification of supervised experience form to provide further clarification of her program for the Board to review. The Board noted that this form is unclear as it does not indicate that the internship was completed at the university, nor does it make clear what qualifications her supervisor held. The Board noted a gap in the time between her pre-doctoral hours in 2002, and her post-doctoral hours in 2005. The Board stated that they needed further information as to whether her hours occurred in person, a better description of her pre- and post-doctoral hours, what were the credentials of her supervisor, etc. Dr. Stone is a 2004 graduate of Argosy University San Francisco. Application tabled for further information.

3. **Amberlee Stuber-Novak**

Dr. Stuber-Novak's application by endorsement was submitted for review as she indicated that her internship was not APPIC approved at the time of completion. She is currently licensed in the state of Florida, Washington, and Virginia, and has taken and passed the EPPP examination. Dr. Stuber-Novak submitted the supplemental application page to provide further information regarding her internship. The Board stated that her internship does appear to have been advertised and would like further information from the internship program with an outline of how it was completed.

Board Action: A motion was made and seconded to approve Dr. Stuber-Novak's application pending submission of further information from the internship program and reviewed by the Board chair.

Finley/Leib
Motion carried 3-0-0

B. HSPP Endorsement

1. David Gotthelf

Dr. Gotthelf appeared to provide more clarification on his application. He submitted an HSPP application, but due to the age of when his training occurred, he could not obtain the supervisor signatures for the forms. Dr. Gotthelf provided copies of his Massachusetts application and other supporting documentation. He stated that he has been working in the state of Massachusetts for the past twenty-five (25) years. He stated that he has been a teacher in Boston and Northeastern. He stated that Massachusetts is a one in all license state. Dr. Gotthelf completed his training at a neurological testing site and has worked in a hospital to work with those who have autism. He informed the Board he completed supervised clinical training approved by the Massachusetts's standards and became a licensed school psychologist.

Board Action: A motion was made and seconded to approve Dr. Gotthelf's HSPP application.

Finley/Leib
Motion carried 3-0-0

C. Continuing Education

1. Aspire Indiana

Dr. Sarah Dross-Gonzales, Senior Director-Clerical Training & Development submitted an application to present Category I Continuing Education. The presenter appears to be a Ph.D. in Behavior Health and an outline of the program was submitted. The Board stated that for them to approve Category I CE, the courses must meet APA standards, and that the proposed program does not meet those standards but may be approved for Category II CE with one (1) hour for each session.

Board Action: A motion was made and seconded to approve the Aspire Indiana continuing education application and that the CE submitted may only be approved for Category II.

Leib/Finley
Motion carried 3-0-0

VII. DISCUSSION ITEMS

There were no items for discussion.

VIII. INDIANA PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION REPORT

Mr. Rhoad reported that the IPA ethics CE conference was well attended with 150 attendees. He stated that their office received good feedback, and it was well directed and presented. He informed the Board that they are considered an APA CE Sponsor, where they renew that qualification every five (5) years. He stated that they will be renewing in August, so they are currently compiling their data for that renewal.

Mr. Rhoad provided the Board with a legislative update. He stated that there are a number of proposed bills that will impact the Behavior Health Board currently. He stated that the one bill that would impact psychologists directly regarding the forensic psychological evaluations to stand trial, did not pass. The proposed bill would in essence decrease the required consultants to drop from two (2) to one (1). The original first bill did have three (3), but it was eventually amended to two (2). The intention behind the bill to help address the backlog of cases that are currently pending.

He stated that the bill that addressed reimbursement billing for Medicaid passed. This bill changed the reimbursement from 80% to 100%. This will mean that there will be around \$50 million a year going into Community Mental Health.

Mr. Rhoad stated that there is current legislation going through that will impact the Administrative Rule making process. He stated that he has been talking with Evan Bartel, Deputy Director of IPLA, regarding trying to bring back the Multi-cultural CE Rule the Board wanted to implement.

Mr. Rhoad stated that there are a number of other bills that passed that do not directly impact the Psychology Board, but tangentially impact the Board. These bills are SB1 which establishes the Behavioral Health Commission and expands mental health services, SB11 which impacts the Marriage and Family Therapist practicum requirements, SB275 which limits the use of the term “-ologist” in official titles (which will not impact psychologists), SB 350 which stipulates that local governments cannot regulate behavioral health licensees, and SB 400 which defines payer requirements and creates study of prior authorizations.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, and having completed its duties, the meeting of the Indiana State Psychology Board adjourned at 10:52 a.m. by general consensus.

Gregory Hale, Ph.D., Chair

Date